

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI SHIVAJ V. PATIL) : (a) Unit 1 of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station was shutdown on 4th march, 1982 for carrying out permanent repairs to one of the end shields. After successful completion of repairs the unit was recommissioned on 1st February, 1985. The outage taken on 3rd February, 1985 was a planned outage to correct certain deficiencies noticed in the initial operation. The unit is presently operating at about 110 MWe.

(b) The total expenditure incurred on the repairs of the end shield is about Rs. 60 lakhs.

(c) The failure of the end shield was due to a combination of factors including inadequacies in the choice of material, fabrication and inspection methods in vogue at the time of construction, and the operating regime, involving too many unregulated starts and stops.

Report of National Sample Survey

38. SHRI S. M. GURADDI : will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Technical Working Group was set up to suggest the acceleration of 'National Sample' Data processing and ways and means of 'bringing out the results within 12 months after completion ;

(b) if so, whether the Group has submitted its report ;

(c) the main features of the recommendations of the Group ;

(d) whether any follow up action has been taken on the recommendations of the Group ; and

(e) the names and details of the National Sample Survey in the past five years conducted and results of which had been brought out within 12 months after completion of the field work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The working Group was asked to give ways and means to bring out the results within 12 to 15 months after completion of field work.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) The main feature of the recommendations was effective computerisation of data processing in the NSS involving, inter alia, (i) installation of direct data entry equipment, (ii) restructuring and strengthening of the Data Processing Division, and (iii) suitable training programmes for various categories of staff.

(d) An order for the direct data entry equipment has been placed. A study team of the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad has made certain suggestions for strengthening and redeployment of staff which are being processed. A training programme for the different categories of staff has been worked out in collaboration with the firm supplying the equipment.

(e) The surveys conducted during the past five years and the present status of their processing are given in the attached table.

Statement

Period of Survey	Subject	Present status
July 79-June 80	Unorganised sector	Parts of results already released, the rest in the process of being released.
July 80-June 81	Social Consumption	Results expected by June 1985.
July 81-Dec. 81	Disabled persons	Results already released within 15 months.
Jan. 82-Dec. 82	Land holdings, livestock holdings and debt and investment.	Results are being finalised.
Jan. 83-Dec. 83	Employment/unemployment and consumer expenditure	Some provisional results are available for the planning process.
Jan. 84-June. 84	Population, Births & Deaths.	Results under processing
July 84-June. 85	Non-Directory Manufacturing Establishments and Own	Field work is in progress. Account Enterprises.

Declaration of Civil Aerodrome at Trivandrum as an International Aerodrome.

38. PROF. P. J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to declare the Civil Aerodrome at Trivandrum as an International Aerodrome;

(b) whether Government have received representation from Kerala in this regard; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (c). there is no specific proposal under consideration of the Government at present to declare Trivandrum as an International Airport. In January, 1984, a request was received from the Chief Minister of Kerala to declare Trivandrum as an International Airport. It was felt at that stage that the existing International airports in the country were adequate to cater to the need of international traffic, and therefore declaration of any other airport including Trivandrum as an international Airport was not necessary. The Chief Minister of Kerala was apprised of the position accordingly.

The Government have, however, recently appointed a Committee to inter-alia identify other airports for the

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